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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

PETER BASSLER, ET AL. : ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION
SERIAL NO: 10/521,784 :
FILED: JANUARY 21, 2005 :
FOR: PROCESS FOR THE :
CONTINUOUSLY OPERATED :
PURIFICATION BY DISTILLATION :
OF THE METHANOL SOLVENT :
USED IN THE COPRODUCT-FREE :
SYNTHESIS OF PROPYLENE :
OXIDE, WITH THE :
METHOXYPROPANOLS AND THE :
HIGH BOILERS BEING :
SEPARATED OFF :
SIMULTANEOUSLY :

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.